

# Images of the Week...



July 4, 2017. Fireworks explode over the National Mall in Washington, DC.



July 4, 2017. Two members of the Kwahamot Waterski Team hold American flags as they pass the audience during the team's Independence Day waterski show in Tomahawk, Wisconsin.



July 6, 2017. A damaged car is seen in an area hit by heavy rain in Asakura, Fukuoka Prefecture, Japan.



July 7, 2017. A runner falls under Cebada Gago bulls during the first running of the bulls at the San Fermin festival in Pamplona, Spain.

## DAY OF DECISION

My friend, today is your day of decision. Are you saved? God loves you. The Bible tells us that because we're all born with a sinful fallen nature that separates us from God, Jesus Christ (God the Son) was sent into this world to die on the cross and shed His precious blood for your sins. Those who truly receive Christ into their heart by faith will be transformed spiritually and accepted by God into His heavenly kingdom. Those who reject Christ will be separated from God forever and tormented in Hell and the Lake of Fire. What will your decision be?

*For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." John 3:16*

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*"Therefore if any man be in Christ he is a new creature; old things are passed away, behold all things are become new." 2 Corinthians 5:17*

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FIREWORKS EXPLODE OVER MOUNT CARMEL, PA



# Bible Study Lesson: **NO EXCUSES**

Key Bible Verse: **Romans 1:19-21** — *“Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath shewed it unto them. For the invisible things of Him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse: Because that, when they knew God, they glorified Him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.”*

Other Scriptures: **Psalm 14:1-2** — *“The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. They are corrupt, they have done abominable works, there is none that doeth good. The LORD looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there were any that did understand, and seek God.”*

While out for a walk recently, I took a moment look around and soak in the beauty of God’s creation. There was the sunset sky, the clouds, the green grass, the trees, birds, and so much more. I thought to myself, “Why do so many people today either reject God’s existence or live like they do? Then I read Romans chapter 1 verses 19-21 and had the answer. The Bible says that we’re all born with a knowledge of God, which means that every person knows that God’s really out there but people begin to lose that knowledge the more they become unthankful to God and consumed with their own lives. Still it’s interesting that while they may take His name in vain and totally disrespect Him, deep down inside they still know He’s there. Show me a person who’s desperate, someone who feels like they have nowhere left to turn and I’ll show you someone who’s ready to cry out to God. How many times do we forget about God in our everyday lives, and then sing songs like “God Bless America” or pray for His help in times of trouble? Still the point is clear— God always has been, always is, and always will be, whether man likes it or not. No one will be able to stand before the Lord Jesus Christ on the day of judgment and act like they didn’t know there was a God. We’re all born with a knowledge of God and in the end there will be NO EXCUSES!

Sincerely,  
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It is my sincere hope and prayer that you will find a new life in Christ and experience the joy of walking with Him each day.



## *Israel in the News*

**Israel releases list of unrecognized foreign rabbis:** Israel’s Chief Rabbinate has compiled a list of overseas rabbis whose authority they refused to recognize when it comes to certifying the Jewishness of someone who wants to get married in Israel. The rabbinate, which oversees religious rituals for Israeli Jews, such as weddings, births and burials, would not say why it had rejected the overseas rabbis’ credentials or provide the criteria for securing their recognition. But it insisted its decision would not prevent them from re-applying in the future. The list, which includes 160 rabbis from 24 countries, threatened to deepen a rift between overseas Jewish communities and Israeli religious authorities.



## **National Headlines**

**Western wildfires rage amid heat wave:** A pair of California wildfires have quickly spread, threatening hundreds of homes and forcing evacuations at a popular lakeside campground and a summer camp where flames temporarily trapped children and counselors, a fire official said. In other parts of the West, evacuation orders were lifted in Colorado and Montana towns threatened by wildfires, while air and ground crews battled a growing grass fire in northwestern Colorado. The fire that started early Saturday afternoon in California’s Santa Barbara County had spread to both sides of Highway 154 and was “completely out of control,” county fire Capt. Dave Zaniboni said. About 90 children and 50 counselors were struck at the Circle V Ranch and had to take shelter there until they could be safely evacuated. The Santa Barbara County fire was one of three in California that grew quickly as much of the state baked in heat that broke records. A record that stood 131 years in Los Angeles was snapped when the temperature spiked at 98 degrees downtown. The previous record of 95 degrees was set in 1886, the National Weather Service said.

**Magnitude 5.8 earthquake hits Montana:** A 5.8 magnitude earthquake hit 5.6 miles southeast of Lincoln, Montana, at a shallow depth of 2.6 miles, the U.S. Geological Survey reported Thursday. Local media reports said that the quake was felt in Kalispell, Havre, Boulder, Helena, Choteau, and beyond. The Pacific Tsunami Warning Center earlier reported the quake with a magnitude of 6.0. There have been no reports of injuries or damages so far. A magnitude 4.5 quake was reported just within a half hour of the bigger one.

**Flight returns to Seattle after passenger assaults crew member:** A Delta Air Lines flight bound for Beijing, China returned to Seattle on Thursday after a passenger assaulted a flight attendant in the first-class cabin before being subdued by other travelers, a Seattle-Tacoma International Airport spokesman said. The flight attendant and a passenger were sent to an area hospital with injuries that were not life-threatening after the Boeing 767-300 landed safely shortly after 7 p.m.



## **Global Headlines and Prophetic World Events**

**Trump meets Putin at G-20 summit:** President Trump and Russian President Vladimir Putin met Friday on the sidelines of a major economic summit in Germany, their first face-to-face encounter since U.S. intelligence formally accused Moscow of meddling in the 2016 election. Trump did not answer shouted questions from reporters about whether he would raise the matter with the former KGB spy master. Instead, the two leaders shared a handshake, smiles and small talk as they sat down in Hamburg amid the G-20 summit. “President Putin and I have been discussing various things, and I think it’s going very well,” Trump told reporters.

**Trump keeps it friendly with China at G-20 on North Korea threat:** U.S. President Donald Trump took a conciliatory tone on Saturday at a meeting with Chinese President Xi Jinping where the leaders agreed to keep working on two pressing issues: the nuclear threat posed by North Korea and bilateral trade irritants. Trump campaigned in last year’s presidential election on cracking down on China for its trade practices, but he softened his rhetoric after taking office, saying he wanted to work with China on the nuclear issue. Lately, Trump has expressed some impatience on China’s role in North Korea -- particularly after Pyongyang launched an intercontinental ballistic missile that some experts believe could have the range to reach Alaska, and parts of the U.S. West Coast.

**Japan floods death toll rises to 15:** The death toll from heavy rains and flooding in southern Japan has risen to 15, a government official said Saturday, as rescuers continued work to evacuate isolated survivors. Raging rivers overflowing with water and mud have devastated swathes of Kyushu -- the southernmost of Japan’s four main islands -- after heavy rainfall, sweeping away roads and houses and destroying schools.